

## Office of the Attorney General State of Texas

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OR92-49

Dear Mr. Dempsey:

You ask whether certain information requested by Stephen Niermann is subject to required public disclosure under the Texas Open Records Act, article 6252-17a, V.T.C.S. Your request was assigned ID# 13923. Your request for an open records decision was supplemented by your letter of January 24, 1991, advising of anticipated litigation regarding the subject matter of the requested information.

As it now appears that litigation is reasonably anticipated with respect to the subject matter of the requested information, the information may be withheld under section 3(a)(3) of the Open Records Act. See Open Record Decision No. 551 (1990) (section 3(a)(3) excepts information from required public disclosure under the Open Records Act when such information is more appropriately sought through discovery.)

We are resolving this matter with this informal letter ruling rather than with a published open records decision. If you have questions about this ruling, please refer to OR92-49.

Yours truly,

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Assistant Attorney General

Opinion Committee

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Enclosure: Open Records Decision No. 551

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